

From: [Ethan Barton](#)
To: [Engels, Alan](#)
Subject: Re: Clarification of FOIA EPA-R8-2016-002389
Date: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 10:58:29 AM

Hi Alan,

Thank you for your email. To narrow my request, I would like to limit the emails I requested to those:

- Sent to and received by EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy
- Acting Deputy Administrator Sten Meiburg
- Office of Congressional And Intergovernmental Relations Acting Associate Administrator Nichole Distefano
- Office of Congressional And Intergovernmental Relations Principal Deputy Associate Administrator Joyce Frank
- Office of Public Affairs Acting Associate Administrator Liz Purchia
- Office of Public Affairs Principal Deputy Associate Administrator Roxanne Smith
- General Counsel Avi Garbow
- Region 8 Administrator Shaun McGrath
- Region 8 Counsel Bob Ward
- Region 8 Communications and Public Involvement Director Paula Smith

If this change still yields a large number of records, please let me know and we can discuss making further amendments to narrow my request.

Thank you,

Ethan

On Tue, Dec 29, 2015 at 12:11 PM, engels.alan@epa.gov <engels.alan@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Mr. Barton,

Thank you for speaking with me earlier today. In order for us to provide you a clear set of documents relating to your request, we spoke about narrowing the scope to include specific email custodians that either received or sent emails that included "Gold King Mine" and "talking points." If there were specific talking points that you are looking for, it might also be helpful in narrowing the scope of the request.

The results of the narrowing will allow us to obtain a more focus result to you request.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to email me at Engels.Alan@epa.gov or call me at [303-312-6306](tel:303-312-6306).

I will be out of the office from December 31, 2015 through January 6, 2016.

Once I have received the additional information we discussed, I will work with our staff to make the search request for emails based on the search terms and custodians you provide.

Sincerely,

Alan Engels

FOIA Officer, US EPA, Region 8

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